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From:

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Via:

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Subject:

Query in Application Number 08/470,421

This is in response to the inquiry regarding the filing status of application number 08/470,421- that is, whether the application was filed under 35 U.S.C. 111 or 35 U.S.C. 371.

A review of the record reveals that application number 08/470,421 is a continuation under 37 CFR 1.60 of application number 08/289,532, which itself was a continuation of 08/181,170, which was a continuation of 08/047,344, which was a continuation of 07/768,868. As such, application number 08/470,421 was filed under 35 U.S.C. 111, and not under 35 U.S.C. 371.

The declaration in this application executes the specification which was filed as PCT/GB90/00840 on 31 May 1990. It is possible that the declaration in this application is the same as a declaration which was filed in one of the parent cases, such as 07/768,868, which should be checked to determine whether it is the national stage of PCT/GB90/00840. If it is, the first sentence of the specification of this application (08/470421) should be amended as — , which is a national stage application of international application PCT/GB90/00840 filed May 31, 1990. —

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